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STAKE CONFERENCE PROGRAM PREPARED

Stake quarterly conference will be held Saturday and Sunday, April 22-23, in Oakland chapel. One of the general authorities is expected to be present. Special features and session of various auxiliaries will be held in connection with the Stake Conference.

The Stake Relief Society will hold their annual exhibit and flower show Saturday afternoon, with a special session at 1 p. m. Missionaries of the Stake Mission will hold forth in their first annual conference Saturday afternoon and evening, the first meeting commencing at 3 p. m. following the Relief Society.

The Sunday morning session will be given over to a Sunday School convention, with a special meeting for all stake and ward officers, convening at 1 p. m.

The Stake Primary Board will serve the noonday lunch to all conference visitors. The afternoon session will be the only meeting devoted entirely to usual Stake business.

The evening session, which will also be held in Oakland Chapel, will be the Stake Musical Festival under the auspices of the Stake M. I. A. The "Ode to Youth" sung at the general conference last June in Salt Lake will be the climax of the musical departments of the season. Esther D. Stephens will direct this stake-wide chorus.

With these various activities it is expected that the conference will attract an unusually large attendance.

FLOWER SHOW

The annual exhibit and flower show of all the Relief Societies of the San Francisco Stake, which for many years has been one of the outstanding events of the Spring season, will be held Saturday, April 22, at the Oakland Chapel.

The program, beginning at 1:30 p. m., promises to be very entertaining. The Relief Society Choral under the direction of Esther D. Stephens, will furnish musical numbers, and a report of the General Conference in Salt Lake City will be given by President Sara Carruth. Following the program a social hour will be held in the recreation hall during review of the exhibit.

WARD TEACHING MESSAGES

Announcement was recently made by the Presiding Bishopric that the ward teachers' monthly message would appear in the Priesthood section of the Improvement Era. With the consent of the First Presidency, a message will be prepared for a church-wide topic to the Saints, to be carried into the homes by the ward teachers. The message for this month will be found in the April issue.

BASKETBALL CHAMPS

Hail the new basketball champions of the stake—Dimond Ward.

The Dimond basketeers, playing fast, smart ball, defeated Sunset two out of three games, 45-22, 35-37 and 47-21.

Oakland took third place at the expense of Mission. The scores were 46-22 and 58-17.

Relief Society Birthday

All through the San Francisco Stake the 91st anniversary of the founding of the Relief Society was observed.

Some of the celebrations were held on the actual birthday, March 17, while other wards celebrated at other times during the week.

But in all wards plays, dances and tableaux were held.

The wonderful work of the Relief Society founded by the Prophet Joseph Smith at Nauvoo, Ill., is appreciated by every officer and member of the church.

The presidency of this stake and the bishops of the various wards in the stake take this occasion to thank the Relief Society members for their fine efforts and worthwhile activities.

MRS. JOHNSON ILL

Mrs. Mamie Huish Johnson, wife of President J. Edward Johnson of Berkeley, is still very ill in an Oakland hospital, following a major operation ten days ago. For the past few months she had been ailing, when a serious malady suddenly developed, and she was rushed to the hospital. The faith of the entire stake is united in behalf of this beloved woman, for her recovery. She is the mother of four children.

EAST BAY GREEN AND GOLD BALL

The annual Green and Gold ball for the East Bay Wards will be held April 28, in the Oakland Ward amusement hall, Moss Avenue and Webster Street, Oakland.

Committees in charge are planning special features and excellent music.

The patio will be open to care for any overflow crowd.

FOR THE RECORDS

Reed Gardner, Stake Clerk, is sailing in the clouds since his wife presented him with a baby boy March 24. This is the second son come to this family and Reed insists that two sons "growing where one grew before" is something to crow about. Mother and child doing nicely.

EAGLE SCOUT

Raymond Booth, 15, of Dimond Ward, was made an Eagle Scout at a court of honor ceremonies recently at San Leandro, under the direction of Oscar Kirkham of Salt Lake. Raymond is the first L.D.S. boy to reach the grade of Eagle Scout through one of our stake troops. He has been a member of Troop 72 of Dimond Ward and is now acting junior assistant scout master. During the past three years Raymond has won 22 merit badges. Congratulations, Raymond.

MISSIONARY CALLED

Vaughan Anderson, 20, of Berkeley, has received a call from the First Presidency to a mission to France. He is the son of Floyd L. and Maybella Anderson, formerly of Hollywood Stake. The mother is a member of the Stake Y. L. M. I. A. Board, the father an insurance attorney of San Francico. Elder Anderson will leave for Salt Lake following Stake Conference. He is the second stake missionary assigned to the French Mission., Elder Jack Fitzpatrick having recently returned home.

EASTER CANTATA

Amusical treat is in store for stake members and their friends the night of April 16 at 7:30, in the Oakland Ward Chapel. The Oakland choir, under the direction of Mrs. Mary Rex, will present an Easter cantata, "The Lord Hath Risen." The choir, which has gained a wide reputation by its radio work, has been working long and hard for the cantata.

MASTER OF FOOTBALL FLAYS EVIL HABITS

One of the most sincere advocates of temperance in the country today is Amos Alonzo Stagg, new football coach at the College of the Pacific, in Stockton.

Stagg, known as the "grand old man of the gridiron," gained immortal fame in athletics during the forty years he served as a member of the University of Chicago faculty and as football coach there.

At the age of 70, retired automatically from Chicago, Stagg has turned down a $10,000 a year position in order to carry on his work among young men at Stockton.

His views on the liquor question are refreshing for Latter-Day Saints in view of the widespread liquor propaganda now in circulation and the return of beer.

If any man in the country knows athletics and young men, it is Stagg, for he has turned out many title winning teams and many All-American players. Here is what he says:

"I have spent all the years of my mature life fighting against liquor and I intend to keep on fighting.

"As a boy I was reared in a neighborhood where all the children, including myself, played on the porches which then adorned the saloons.

"With the exception of myself, all the children used to carry beer to their parents. I never was asked to do that.

"So, I grew up in an atmosphere of liquor and I saw what it did to my boyhood friends. They never got any place. They never had a fair chance in life. Liquor was too great a handicap for them.

"I have never smoked. I have never touched liquor and I have tried to keep my athletes from smoking and drinking.

"Liquor hurts athletes and it hurts young men. My forty years of coaching have convinced me beyond doubt of that.

"When I started coaching I did it because I thought I could best serve my Master with service to young men. I still feel that way. That is the reason I am coaching football instead of resting. And a major portion of my service to young men and my Master is in discouraging drinking."

PERFECT JOY

The plan for man's life was formulated by the Lord. Obedience to it would bring about perfect joy which is full progress within human limitations. —John A. Widtsoe.

SAN FRANCISCO STAKE CARAVAN

Time: (To be announced.)

Place: Mesa, Arizona.

Personnel of Management—

Executive Committee: H. E. Thomson, W. E. Moody, B. K. Farnsworth.

General Manager: D. H. Rock (Oakland).

Chairmen of Committees: Publicity, H. E. Thomson; Transportation, Mr. Rock and Mr. Stone; Clothing, W. E. Moody; Temple Sheets, R. Schusman (Elmhurst); Junior Activities, Geo. E. Southgate (Berkeley); First Aid, France Olson (Dimond); Program, Mr. Haddock (Oakland).

Sponsors: Stake Presidency and High Council.

The committee desire that the following instructions pertaining to the pilgrimage be presented to the readers of "The Messenger":

1. Contact with ward genealogical chairman immediately and register for participation in the Pilgrimage.

2. Prepare your Temple record for ordinance work. Your ward committee will assist in research work—compiling family records, preparing Temple ordinance sheets, and any other work connected with the Pilgrimage.

3. All ordinance sheets must be entered at the Index Bureau and be OKed for ordinance work. (Time required for this is about 4 weeks.) Deliver to ward committee all sheets ready for Index Bureau. Let them attend to the checking of sheets, etc.

4. Ask your committee for supply of sheets, etc. Prepare to experience that joy which is the lot of those who labor in the House of the Lord as Saviours on Mount Zion for those who have gone before.

5. Provide your own Temple clothing. Consult your committee regarding this matter. It is wonderful to own a Temple outfit.

6. Begin to save the pennies for the Pilgrimage. It may require a little sacrifice, but the deep spiritual growth resultant from participation in Temple work is worth a volume of sacrifice.

PRESIDENT HILTON TO CONFERENCE

President Eugene Hilton, second counsellor in the Stake Presidency, will officially represent the stake at the annual Church conference in Salt Lake April 6-9. It is expected that this will be one of the most important conferences held, as three vacancies are to be filled in the ranks of the General authorities.

These vacancies are a second counsellor in the First Presidency, caused by the death of President Chas. W. Nibley; the office of Patriarch, held by the late Hyrum G. Smith, and a member of the First Seven Presidents of Seventies, succeeding the late President Jos. W. McMurrin, whose death occurred since the last conference.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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Economics and Mormonism

This wonderful earth and all it contains was made for the use and enjoyment of man. Read the statement of its Creator: Yea all things which come of the earth, in the season thereof, are made for the benefit and use of man; both to please the eye and to gladden the heart; Yea for food and for raiment, for taste and for smell, to strengthen the body and to enliven the soul. And it pleaseth God that he hath given all these things unto man; for unto this end were they made to be used, with judgment, not to excess, neither by extortion. And in nothing doth man offend God, or against none in his wrath kindled, save those who confess not his hand in all things, and obey not his commandments. (Doc. & Cov. 59: 18-21.)

Despite this we are confronted today with the paradox of surplus wealth and plutocracy on the one hand and abject poverty and suffering on the other. Why? A satisfying answer is available to the enquirer who is willing to accept the message of revealed truth on this question.

While the good things of the earth are available to man, he is destined to "earn his bread by the sweat of his brow." History has demonstrated the fundamental truth of this requirement and of necessity much of the time and effort of the average man is given in his attempt to obtain honestly the necessities of life. Most of us are, however, not satisfied with the common necessities and often develop an insatiable desire for more and still more, even though all other of life's values are ignored. Much of the greed, avarice and violence of which the history of man upon the earth is replete demonstrates the truth of the scripture which says: "The love of money is the root of all evil."

In the acquisition and use of wealth man has his free agency. One of the greatest tests of earth life come in this connection. Wealth, self sufficiency and pride too often close our eyes to the greater truths shining around us, nevertheless the present state of affairs is showing even those to whom money is god, the insecurity of their position.

In order that the mind and interests of man could be properly centered on that which is most important, the Lord has, whenever the fullness of his gospel has been upon the earth, offered to his people the Law of Consecration. Under this higher law all things are held in common and while men continue to labor and enjoy the fruits of their efforts, the emphasis of all work is directed toward advancing the kingdom of God upon the earth.

By reason of the weakness of man as manifested through lack of faith, suspicion, greed and jealousy the Lord has temporarily substituted the law of tithing. Even under this law the members of His church and the church itself have prospered. Those who have lived it faithfully have been blessed abundantly in spiritual matters, and generally in temporal affairs also. Nevertheless the spiritual benefits have far transcended the merely temporal.

The false emphasis that the world around us has placed upon temporal wealth has led some Latter-Day Saints even to assume that its acquisition is the surest evidence of God's blessings. Nothing is further from the truth. Sometimes his greatest blessings come even in apparent calamities, when that which is retarding us is taken away. Ponder the advice of the Lord to the rich young man: "Sell all that thou hast and come and follow me."

Through sorrow and suffering our spirits are mellowed, we are chastined and made more susceptible to the higher truths of God's kingdom. Many a person has turned to the Lord in the midst of adversity. The present depression may even have the effect of emphasizing anew to us the basic truth that God's plan which ultimately arouses most of our temporal misery. us willing to accept and live the higher Law of Consecration it shall be deemed a blessing indeed. It is man's neglect or refusal to accept and apply God's plan which ultimately aruoses most of our temporal misery.

Let those of us who possess an abundance of the world's goods use them wisely and share them with our less fortunate brethren. Let us be wise in our understanding of the complex world in which we live, putting that which is most important in first place, always remembering that the Author of our salvation has advised us to "lay not up treasures upon the earth" but to "seek first the kingdom of God," promising that to the extent that we do so "all things shall be added unto you."

By EUGENE HILTON.

RATES FOR CONFERENCE

Both the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific railroads have announced a special round trip rate to Salt Lake City of $16.85 for the annual April conference.

Tickets are on sale April 2, 3, 4 and 5, with return privileges good until April 19. During this excursion tickets are good on Pullmans as well as other classes of service.

GOLDEN WEDDING DAY

March 29, President and Mrs. Rudger Clawson celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. President Clawson of the Council of the Twelve and Lydia Spencer were married March 29, 1883. He is 76 years old and Mrs. Clawson is 71. They are the parents of nine children, five living, and nine grandchildren.

BISHOPRIC MEETINGS

Following announcement from the Presiding Bishopric, all ward bishoprics of the San Francisco Stake are requested to heed the last P.B.O. bulletin regarding the holding of weekly council meetings. The affairs of a ward cannot be properly supervised unless bishoprics regularly hold council meetings, where the problems of the ward are considered.

AN EVENING IN SPAIN

The Seventies of the Dimond Ward are sponsoring a party to be held in Dimond Ward recreation hall, Friday, May 5th. Special Spanish music and dances, special lighting and decorations, and a male chorus are to be features. Everyone in the stake is invited, and your season tickets will admit you. Come in Spanish costumes.

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

M. I. A.

The first annual Junior Girls festival was held March 10 in the roof garden patio of the Hotel St. Mark in Oakland. One hundred and twenty girls and mothers attended. An interesting program was presented by the junior girls, a retold story, songs, papers on the project work and a clever fashion show. After the program the popular radio performers, the Crystal Salt Boys, entertained the girls with songs and dances. Ice cream and cake were served.

May 19 will be Bee Hive Swarm Day. Bee Hive girls throughout the stake are preparing for this event.

All wards held ward honor night during the week of March 27, preparatory to contest work which starts on April 3. Contest dates are as follows:

Public Speaking, retold story, dance, East Bay, April 3, Oakland Chapel; West Bay, April 4, S. F. Chapel.

Drama—East Bay, April 6, Oakland; West Bay, April 7, S. F. Chapel.

Finals or Stake Honor Night—April 4, Oakland.

Division Audition—Thursday, April 20, Oakland.

Note change in division audition. W. O. Robinson of the General Board has written requesting this change in order to get all auditions on schedule.

The California Mission will be in Oakland on Wednesday, the 19th, for mission contest work and the winners will compete with the San Francisco Stake winners on the 20th. This arrangment will eliminate repetition on the audition night. Reports from the Mission are favorable and San Francisco will have to work hard to retain first place in this division.

West Bay adult classes will join on May 2, open night, for a social in the San Francisco Ward Recreation Hall. Lillian Stookey is in charge of arrangements.

Music Department — Choruses throughout the stake are working hard on songs for the music festival to be held April 23 at the evening session of quarterly conference. Mrs. Esther Stephens has been holding practices every Sunday on the Ode to Youth and reports that that number is shaping nicely. Sister Stephens is calling special rehearsals in the Oakland Chapel on the following days at which all singers are requested to be present:

April 9, 1 p. m.—Before Relief Society union meeting.

April 16—The M. I. A. union meeting will be used principally as a grand rehearsal.

Please see that all your singers are present in Oakland on these dates.

The Stake Board expresses thanks to all those who assisted at the Community Chest luncheon.

A very fine exhibit consisting of ten articles of needlework has been sent to Salt Lake from our stake for the exhibit being held there during April Conference.

GREEN AND GOLD BALL

The Green and Gold ball of the West Bay Wards was held in the San Francisco Ward recreation hall the night of March 24 and was the source of much recreation for the large crowd which attended.

The music was good, the punch was good and everybody had a good time, despite the capacity crowd which covered the dance floor.

An exhibition of the Green and Gold waltz was given by the following couples: Meta Bingham and L. Player; Jean Macdonald and Clyde Peevion; Floyd Griffith and Bernice Anderson; Ray Shields and Vera Mote.

NOTICE

Bishops and stake officers, please mail your copy for the next issue of "The Messenger" so that it will be in the hands of the editor by May 1. Address it to Editor, "The Messenger," 6260 Broadway Terrace, Oakland.

"The Messenger" is now running a column for professional cards of members and friends of the Stake. It is an excellent opportunity for professional men to make themsilves acquainted with our people at little cost. Please take this up with the business manager, John Larson, 512 Sixteenth Street, Oakland, Lakeside 5600.

Marriages

HINKSON-PHILLIPS—Virginia Hinkson to John Phillips, March 11, by Bishop Pearson, Balboa Ward.

JACOBS-OPENSHAW—Clarence B Jacobs and Dorothy Openshaw, March 11, by Bishop Eugene B. Jacobs, Oakland Ward.

Deaths

ODERMATT, 3, son of Mr. and Brs. Ronald Odermatt, Alameda.

BURLEY, Clara, wife of Edward Burley of Mission Ward.

Births

A SON, Ronald Dave, to Mr. and Mrs Edward Pearson, Richmond.

A SON to Mr. and Mrs. Woolf Barnato, Sunset Ward, in England.

A DAUGHTER, Geraldine Lowe, to Mr. and Mrs. Edith Peterson La Gran, Jan. 29.

A SON to Mr. and Mrs. Reed Gardner, of Berkeley, March 24. Mr. Gardner is Stake Clerk.

News from Wards

BERKELEY

Sister Clara Acomb has been chosen second counsellor in the Relief Society, occasioned by the untimely passing of Effie Dangerfield, who had filled the position so well.

Berkeley Ward is justly proud of our Priesthood quorums. The elders had charge of the Sacrament meeting Feb. 26th. The entire program was given by members of the quorum.

An interesting feature was a violin trio given by Brothers Palmer, Millward and Hunsaker.

Patriarch and Mrs. Gaston L. Braley are both recovering from a rather long illness.

Our annual Relief Society party, Friday evening, March 17th, was a real success.

It was a lot of fun and real enjoyment. Mention should be given the demonstration of our work and business meetings given by the "Sisters."

The program was arranged by Rachel Ball. Sister Clara Gleason took charge of the refreshments.

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Program for Sunday evening meetings:

April 2—M. I. A. Conjoint. Speaker, Von Ellsworth. Vocal and instrumental solos.

April 9—Civilization of Ancient Perucians. Talk by P. V. Cardon. Violin solos, E. D. Palmer.

April 16—Talk on Easter, Richard W. Young.; bass vocal solo, Afton Stout; piano solo, Helen Blair; vocal solo, Erva Miller; selection, Boys Chorus.

April 23—Stake Conference.

April 30—Ward Relief Society Conference.

Mrs. E. G. Gowans, sister of Mrs. P. W. Dunyon, returned to California on Wednesday, March 29th, after a two years visit in Honolulu with her son, Lyman S. Gowans. She will visit with relatives in California several months before going to Salt Lake City.

The Ward Genealogical Committee is having wonderful success in holding their regular weekly meetings at the homes of the members of the ward. During the past month meetings have been held at the homes of I. B. Ball, Bishop P. W. Dunyon and Rena Ruff.

March 14th the Scouts and Beehive Girls under the direction of Howard McDonald and Lella Erickson, had a swimming party at the Richmond Pool There were forty present.

Mrs. E. G. Ogden of Salt Lake City is visiting with her daughters, Mrs. Louise Knight and Etta Mower.

Josiah Hickman was in Berkeley last week visiting with his son, Judge Geo. Hickman, and family.

S. R. Dunham, father of Scott H. Dunham, has been visiting here the last month. May locate in Berkeley.

The Ward Teachers Committee consists of Wm. Moody, I. B. Ball, Eric Waldhouse, George Southgate and Theo. Ruegg. This committee promises some excellent results in the near future.

Sister Anna Peterson, who is on a mission to Sweden, in a letter to the Bishop, reports that work of the Lord is progressing rapidly in that section. She has secured over 200 names of relatives. On her return she expects to do the Temple work for them.

BALBOA

The start of the second year of progress was recently celebrated by Sea Scout Ship 120 of San Francisco. This Scout unit is the only troop of Sea Scouts sponsored in the stake. In a recent report of the Sea Scout Commissioner of San Francisco, this unit was rated one of the most efficient ships in competition with sixteen others, forming the Sea Scout Department of the San Francisco Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. The Ship enrollment includes eighteen Sea Scouts tnd two officers. Eleven men of this number graduated from the Scout Leaders Training School which was recently held, establishing a new record, as no other troop or Sea Scout ship in the entire San Francisco Area Council had a similar percentage enrolled. Also the attendance during the entire week's course was 100 per cent. All boys are fully uniformed in blue work uniform and white dress uniform. The unit also possesses a 24-ft. sailing whaleboat, fully equipped, and placed fourth in the Washington Birthday sailing races in competition with the other San Francisco ships. The ship's officers are: Clyde V. Pearson, skipper, and Russel F. Chatard, mate.

Arthur W. Sadler and Clyde Pearson have both completed their Scout training work as instructors in the Baden-Powell School of Scouting held in San Francisco recently.

Bishop and Mrs. R. Vance Pearson were very pleasantly surprised recently by the Ward Relief Society and friends. About fifty people were present. A beautiful quilt made by the sisters was presented to Bishop and Mrs. Pearson.

Miss Virginia Hinkson, daughter of J. Elmer and Rebecca Hinkson, was united in marriage to John Phillips of the U. S. Navy at the home of the bride's parents, 118 Sadowa Street, March 11, 1933, Bishop Pearson officiating.

The Ward Relief Society gave a very splendid pageant Sunday evening, March 19th, in commemoration of the first meeting of the Relief Society held in Nauvoo March 17, 1843. The pageant was dirested by Sister Freda Pietsch.

Balboa Ward M. I. A. wish to report the organization of a Vanguard group with five members and leader, Leland Robinson. So much interest is already shown by the boys that we wonder why we haven't had this group organized sooner.

Wednesday, March 15th, the Adult group invited the Senior Group to a jig saw puzzle and checker tournament. This was our "Open Nite." A fine time had by all. Attendance 40. Best Adult and Senior attendance of the season.

Friday evening, March 17th, the M. Men and Gleaner Girls held a Baby Party" at 56 Joost Avenue. There were 22 "Babies" (dressed as children) in attendance. Wonderful evening, they report.

We are planning after-mutual dances to be held every Wednesday evening excepting on open nights, for the remainder of the season. Season tickets will admit members of other wards.

The "Builders," led by Meta Roberts, and the "Gatherers," led by Phoebe Cherry, combined their swarms and held a "Bee-Hive" party at the home of Sister Roberts last "Open Nite." Reports show that no one was "stung," all had a good time.

Balboa Ward was represented by 21 members at the Relief Society Birthday Party held in the San Francisco Ward amusement hall March 17th.

On March 19th the Sacrament meeting was conducted by the Relief Society. They reenacted the organization of the Relief Society by the Prophet Jospeh Smith, and gave a series of tableaux on the objectives of relief work. This was under the direction of Sister Frieda Pietsch, who planned the dialogue and tableaux. Music was furnished by Sister Orial Stowell, one trio being her own composition.

We have been holding our relief meetings at the home of Sister Katie Sadler, but for the rest of the season they will be held at the home of Sister Dean White, 463 Flood Avenue, on Tuesday evenings.

ALAMEDA BRANCH

Ward Statistics

Baptisms — Keith Crandall, Wayne Horman.

Blessings—Dorrie Guthe.

Ordinations to office of Deacon—Herbert James Marsh, Delmont Seavers.

Sunday School Appointments—First Assistant, Eldred Holdoway; Second Assistant, Clare Hunt.

Y. M. M. I. A. to Second Counsellor—J. Roderick Hunt.

Primary to First Counsellor—Cleone Cooper; Second Counsellor, Gene Vincent.

Transfers—From Oakland Ward to Alameda Branch, Jack Powell.

Our Sacrament meetings during the past month have been well attended, and we have been fortunate in having some very outstanding speakers. Some of the topics have been the following:

"Law as the Greatest Law in the World," by John Shields.

"What is in Religion," by Brother Martin, Stake Sunday School Superintendent.

"Obedience," by Brother Haddock.

"The Parable of the Foolish Virgins," by President W. Aird Macdonald.

In addition to our guest speakers, we have had a member of the missionary of the branch speak at each meeting. Sister Wycott, Rhoderick Hunt, Sister Florene Chamberlain, also two members of the deacons' quorum, who spoke on the Aaronic priesthood, Delmont Seavers and Herbert James Marsh.

Sunday, March 19, was Home Missionary night, and excellent talks were given by Sisters Humphries, Cook, and Brother Nelson. The subjects taken were "Where did I come from, and why am I here?" "Who am I?" "After Death, What?"

Several splendid musical numbers and an outstanding reading by Florene Chamberlain have been enjoyed. Eister Chamberlain read the "Lost Word" by Vandyke.

Sunday School

Outstanding two and one-half minute talks have been supplied by the parents' class, mostly on early pioneer experiences.

The missionary class is increasing each Sunday. Ken Everett has been appointed class president.

Y. M. & Y. L. M. I. A.

The two plays mentioned in last month's "Messenger" are to be produced in the Oakland Chapel, March 29th. We hope to have a large attendance.

Take Note: This branch is giving a dance March 31. Those who attended the last one we gave, we are sure will wish to come again.

Relief Society

Our branch held its Relief Society birthday party Tuesday the 14th. A delightful program was enjoyed, and delicious refreshments served. As honored guests we were happy to have Sister Sarah Carruth, stake president of the Relief Society; Sisters Nelson, Breck and Hughes, members of the stake board.

We have also enjoyed a visit from Sister Ruth S. Hilton and Sadie Chadwick.

A very delightful party was held at the home of Sister Peter Targhetta, in honor of the return from Salt Lake after an extended visit of our Relief Society president, Sister Katie Hunt. A St. Patrick color scheme was carried out, and refreshments were served at individual small tables. About 20 sisters enjoyed a most pleasant afternoon.

Funeral services were held at the Cooper undertaking parlor, Fruitvale for little Robert Odormatt, son of Ronald and Alveda Odermatt, who passed away at the age of three years. Brother Peter Borup, of this branch, conducted the services. His parents recently moved to Alameda from the Elmhurst Ward.

RICHMOND

Mrs. Blaine Haddock and two daughters, Donna and Marjean, have returned from Modesto, where they have spent the past two weeks visiting relatives.

Bishop Dewsnup and family spent the week end in Sacramento.

Peter Gingler, the president of the "Young Men," has been visiting in Lake County.

On Tuesday night, March 14th, the Relief Society presented a very enjoyable program, in celebration of the 91st anniversady of the Relief Society organization. "The Burgular," a one-act play, was given, which was followed by two special dance numbers. The remainder of the evening was given over to dancing.

On Friday, March 9, a baby boy, Ronald Dave, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Pearson. Mrs. Pearson will be remembered as Jessie Bradeson.

Mrs. John Bracklebank and two children were in an auto accident March 14, while en route to the Relief Society program. The two children were cut about the face, but were not injured seriously.

Wallace Hopkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hopkins, has been ill with influenza.

MISSION

Brother and Sister Harold R. Jenson entertained about 25 friends at a "Kiddie's" party.

Brother and Sister James I. Hawkins entertained a number of friends at their home.

Sister Clara Burley died March 25th at a hospital.

Born Jan. 29 to Edith Peterson La Gran a girl, Geraldine Lowe La Gran. Blessed March 5th by Alex. D. Edgar.

Brother and Sister Clyde H. Zimmerman of Denver have joined the ward. Sister Zimmerman is a daughter of Brother Nels P. Miller.

Sister Caroline and daughter, Leeta L. and Marion Dorothy of Ogden, also Martin I. Pehrson, wife and son of Ogden, have all joined the ward.

Sister Alice Jorgenson, injured by a street car, is recovering.

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NEWS FROM THE WARDS

OAKLAND

Two new arrivals in the ward are Gail R. Fjellstrom and O. C. McCarthy, both with fine records of active church participation elsewhere.

Mrs. Mary A. Jones is ill at her home.

An unusually interesting talk was delivered at the March 26 Sacrament meeting by Josiah Hickman of Logan, Utah.

The entire ward wishes well two of its most popular younger members, Clarence B. Jacobs and his bride, the former Miss Dorothy Openshaw.

Originally from Salt Lake City, both have been active in various ways in church work since coming to Oakland and have won personal friends among the old and young.

They were married March 11th by Bishop Eugene B. Jacobs, brother of the groom, at the bishop's home.

The couple now are making their home at 2430 Eighth Avenue.

The Relief Society held an old time party March 17th in recognition of the anniversary of the founding of the organization. The affair was featured by the original costumes, or lack of costumes, of James Kay and Reed Chase, two of the ward's incorrigible but popular young men.

Glen Gee has been appointed supervisor of the Teachers' quorum.

Under the direction of President Mary S. Jordan, the Relief Society new rug, doors, drapes, etc.

John Larson has recovered from his fall in Lake Merritt, but insists he will stick to his boating—a modern "Volga Boatman."

SAN FRANCISCO

Dr. and Mrs. Glen P. Vincent entertained the San Francisco Ward Bishopric at a dinner party. There were present Bishop and Mrs. C. W. Nalder, Mr. and Mrs. Golden K. Driggs, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Peterson.

A very successful "17th of March" party was held by the West Bay Relief Societies in the San Francisco Amusement Hall. All married people were invited and a large number were in attendance. An harmonica orchestra from the Sunset Ward composed of Brother Glen Krout, Brother Anderson, Sister Lindenau, Sister Ray, Sister Clauson, Brother Tueller. Each ward presented one game. At the close of the evening a basket luncheon was enjoyed. Guests included members from Burlingame, Sunset, Balboa, Mission and San Francisco. Stake Board members present: President Sara Carruth, Sister Ruth R. Shurtliff, and Sister Esther D. Stephens.

Miss Agnes Farnsworth entertained at a St. Patrick's Day party. Luncheon was served to twelve guests. There were present besides the hostess, Miss Jean Macdonald, Miss Lavon Brockbank, Miss Irene Ehrich, Miss Fay Ollerton, Mrs. Valdie Farnsworth, Miss Britta Johansen, Miss Laura Farnsworth, Miss Emma Somsen, Miss Ann Nelson.

Mrs. Evans, mother of Mr. Edmund E. Evans, has returned to her home in Utah after several months stay in San Francisco with her son and daughter-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Crockett of Idaho have returned to San Francisco to live.

Mr. Jerome F. Davenport, who for the past year has been staying with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Franzen, and who has been a very active member of the San Francisco Ward, has returned to his home in Walla Walla, Washington.

Mr. Chris Petersen, father of Ward Clerk C. B. Petersen, has returned to his home in Salt Lake after spending several months with his son.

DIMOND

Under the leadership of C. C. Cherrington, who is in charge of enlistment work and cottage meetings, attendance at genealogical meetings is steadily increasing. During the past month cottage meetings were held at the home of C. C. Cherrington, Sam W. Scott and R. O. Phelps.

Genealogical cottage meetings will be held at the home of Thomas Booth, 2626 35th Avenue, April 6th, and Franz Olson, 3928 Bayo Street, April 20th. Everyone interested in genealogical work is urged to attend these meetings.

The relief society celebrated the 91st anniversary of their organization Friday evening, March 17th. An interesting program was given under the direction of Sister Minnie F. Ellsworth, followed by old time dances. Fancy dress costumes, appropriate to the occasion, were worn by many of those present.

The primary association held their annual ward conference Sunday evening, March 12th. A most interesting program was presented under the direction of President Isabella Cox.

Sam W. Scott has been appointed chairman of the ward finance and budget committee.

Sisters Ella Chase and Amelia Jones, counsellors in the relief society, are directing the activities of this organization during the serious illness of President Mary Stevens.

We are happy to extend a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Summerhays and baby daughter on their return to Dimond Ward.

Mrs. Emily Rhodes has returned to her home at Garland, Utah, after a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. Vernon Brown.

The deacon quorum entertained Friday evening at a basket ball party followed by a picnic in Dimond Park. John Morgan was in charge of the arrangements.

HAYWARD BRANCH

Mr. Charles Wells, his wife and small daughter, former residents of Hayward Branch, recently moved back to Hayward from Oakland.

L. J. Phister and William Millet, counsellors to the president of the branch, and their wives, appeared at the home of President Johnson on the night of his birthday, Feb. 28, 1933, and surprised him.

MARTINEZ

On March 3rd a "chili" party was held in the Ward Hall. A large number of the members and friends were present. Various table games were played after which a "chili" feed was enjoyed by all.

Orland and Mahlon Olson left March 8th by automobile for a visit with their parents in West Jordan, Utah. They expect to remain in Utah for about a month.

Glenona Robison, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Robison, was painfully injured the evening of March 10th when she was struck down by an automobile near her home.

Mrs. B. Guyman of Brigham City, Utah, is visiting at the home of her son, Bert Guyman.

Con Wheeler of Ogden, Utah, has arrived for a visit with his father W. Wheeler.

A St. Patrick's party was held Friday evening, March 17th, at the Ward Hall. Games were enjoyed and prizes awarded the winners. A light lunch was served in conclusion.

SUNSET

Schedule of Meetings:

April 2—Meeting conducted by Mutual Improvement Associations.

April 9—Charles W. White speaker.

April 16—Stake Missionaries speakers—Brothers Uhlig, Sadler and Montague.

April 23—Excellent program now being arranged.

April 30—Meeting under the auspices of Stake Geneology Committee.

The Relief Society pageant given on March 12th was very instructive and interesting. It retold the birth of the Relief Society and those participating were dressed to fit the day and time of the occasion. Sister Sarah H. Carruth, president of the Stake Relief Society, and other members of the stake organization were in attendance. Members who participated in the pageant were entertained at a luncheon on Wednesday, 15th, at the home of Sister Charles W. White.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Quealy and famity are visiting with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Woolf Barnato, in England. The visit was occasioned by the birth of a son to Mrs. Barnato (Jackie Quealy).

Brother W. Yates Farnsworth has returned from a trip to Hoquiam, Washington, where he visited with his family.

Niels Anderson and family have moved to the Balboa Ward. The service of the Anderson family will certainly be missed.

Chase Taylor and family have moved to San Mateo. He has been president of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association in this ward and we will also miss his association, together with that of his family.

ELMHURST

Elmhurst Boy Scouts, Troop 44, together with Troop 52, went to Richmond on a swimming party March 10. The boys were accompanied by W. C. Owens and M. Luhn of 52 and Scoutmaster Muir and Dick Lawton of 44.

B. Z. Cox of the Stake S. S. Board visited our Sunday School March 12, checking up on our missionary class. We feel that Mr. Cox's report will be favorable as we are proud of our missionary class.

Mrs. Mary Hanks of Loa, Utah, is here visiting her son, E. K. Hanks.

Eloise Sims and Janet Nilsson of the M. I. A. Stake Board were visitors in mutual March 12.

The Elmhurst M. I. A. Chorus under the direction of Vern Chapman sang over KTAB Sunday, March 26.

After spending three weeks as guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Owens, Miss Lillie Rigg has returned to her home in Logan, Utah.

Mrs. Thomas Ballard of Salt Lake City is here visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. N. G. Tolman.

The Relief Society annual party held March 17th was a grand success. A large birthday cake was cut by President Mary Partington. The cake was ablaze with beautiful candles. There was one large candle on each of the four corners of the table with the cake in the center, the four candles representing the four Presidents that have been in office since the ward was organized, three of which were present. Games, dancing and refreshments made the evening pleasant.

Our old ward member and former M. I. A. President, G. E. Wilkins, visited the Sunday School March 19.

L. D. S. HOSPITAL HEAD

Bishop Harold S. Barnes, 39, of Wasatch Ward, Granite Stake, has been named superintendent of the L. D. S. Hospital in Salt Lake City. He succeeds the late Frank Pingree, who died suddenly two weeks ago. The announcement of Bishop Barnes' appointment was made by Presiding Bishop Sylvester Q. Cannon March 25. Bishop Barnes is prominent in insurance circles in Salt Lake.

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